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SUBJECT : CIVIL AVIATION: RTG REQUEST FOR GUAM RIGHTS

1. MFA DIRECTOR GENERAL ECONOMICS DEPT. CALLED IN DCM JULY 26 TO DELIVER NOTE RESPONDING TO EMBASSY'S NOTE NO. 248 OF FEBRUARY 28 ON GUAM LANDING RIGHTS. NOTE POINTS OUT THAT WHEREAS "U.S. AIRLINES HAVE ENJOYED RIGHTS UNDER (BILATERAL CIVIL AVIATION) AGREEMENT AS WELL AS NUMEROUS FURTHER RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES UNILATERALLY GRANTED BY RTG OUTSIDE AND BEYOND SCOPE OF AGREEMENT ONLY ONE SMALL THAI AIRLINE (AIR SIAM) HAD OPERATED AIR SERVICE TO U.S. FOR SHORT PERIOD OF TIME."
2. NOTE GOES ON THAT RTG FIFTH FREEDOM RESTRICTION ON U.S. AIRLINES "IN FACT...NO RESTRICTION AT ALL, SINCE UP TO NOW U.S. AIRLINES HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO ATTAIN GIVEN TRAFFIC QUOTA."
3. NOTE CONTINUES, "IF THERE SHOULD BE ANY FEELING THAT EXISTING THAI-U.S. AIR SERVICES AGREEMENT PLACES USG IN DISADVANTAGEOUS POSITION AND PROPOSED INCLUSION OF GUAM IN THAI ROUTE WOULD GIVE FURTHER UNDUE DISADVANTAGE TO USG, RTG WOULD SUGGEST USG FEEL FREE TO TERMINATE EXISTING AGREEMENT."
4. "NEVERTHELESS," NOTE CONCLUDES, "THAI AERONAUTICAL AUTHORITIES WILL BE PREPARED TO HOLD CONSULTATIONS WITH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THEIR COUNTERPART IN BANGKOK TO DISCUSS BILATEERAL CIVIL

AVIATION MATTERS AND TRAFFIC RIGHTS EXERCISED BY AIRLINES
OF TWO COUNTRIES UNDER EXISTING AGREEMENT. SUCH CONSULTATIONS
WOULD BE IN LINE WITH SUGGESTION MADE BY THE
EMBASSY'S NOTE UNDER REFERENCE AND PROVIDED FOR BY THE
AGREEMENT ITSELF."

5. EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS TO TERMINATE CIVAIR AGREEMENT
SUGGESTS RTG WILLING TO SACRIFICE AIR SIAM LANDING RIGHTS
IN THE HOPE OF REPLACING THESE WITH RIGHTS FOR THAI INTER-
NATIONAL. AIR SIAM OFFICIAL TOLD ECON/CML. COUNSELOR
RECENTLY THAT HIS COMPANY PLANS TO RE-OPEN SERVICE TO U.S.
IN FAIRLY NEAR FUTURE. HE IS CURRENTLY SPENDING MOST OF
HIS TIME IN LOS ANGELES OFFICE OF AIR SIAM. IN THIS CONNECTION
LOCAL TWA REPRESENTATIVE HAS INQUIRED IF AIR SIAM HAS REFILED
WITH CAB FOR LICENSE TO OPERATE TO U.S. AND IF CAB HAS APPROVED.

6. FULL TEXT OF NOTE BEING AIRPOUCHED. REQUEST
GUIDANCE AND RESPONSE TO ABOVE INQUIRY FROM TWA.
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